

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are pending in this application. Claims 16-22 have been withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. Claims 1-5 and 10-13 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 USC §103(a) as obvious over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2001/0049038 to Dickman; claims 1-5 and 10-12 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 USC §103(a) as obvious over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0082785 to Jones et al.; claims 6-9 and 14-15 stand rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Dickman; and claims 6-9 and 14-15 stand rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Jones et al.

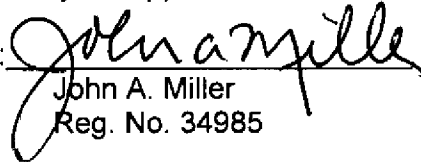
Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

The specification has been amended above in paragraph [0027] to replace lines "64 and 66" with lines "66 and 68" to correct a typographical error. Applicant will take the rejections up on appeal.

If the Examiner believes that personal contact with Applicant's representative would expedite prosecution of this application, he is invited to call the undersigned at his convenience.

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